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DEVICE AND METHOD FOR THE AUTOMATIC DETECTION OF AT LEAST ONE FLUORESCENT

AND/OR LIGHT-ABSORBENT INDICATOR CONTAINED IN A LIQUID SERVICE FLUID DURING

THE FILLING OF A MACHINE WITH SAID SERVICE FLUID

Sir:

	Transmitted herewith	n is a Preliminary Amendment (6 pages) in the above-identified applica	uon.
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[] Small entity status under 37 G. I.V. 1.9 and 1.27 I as been providedly established the status under 27 G. E.B. 1.0 and 1.27

[] Applicants assert small entity status under 37 C.F.R. 1.9 and 1.27.

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it is hereby requested that this be a petition for an automatic extension of time under 37 CFR 1.136.

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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Sir:

Applicants request that the following Amendments be made in the above-identified matter prior to examination thereof: